

WALTON LEDALE HIGH SCHOOL



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Dear Parents and Carers

As we reach the end of this half term we would like to thank you all for your continued support as we endeavour to further raise standards at Walton-le-Dale. The behaviour curriculum has been key to this and has made a positive change on many aspects of our school.

Improvements to punctuality

We expect our students to be READY to learn, attending lessons and arriving on time. Registers are taken at the start of every lesson, and from after half term we will be sounding a late bell 5 minutes into the lesson. This will remove any ambiguity over the point at which a child is late to lesson. Arrival after the second bell will signify a late mark.

In addition to this, if a student is not in lessons within 10 minutes of the start without a valid reason or found out of lessons without a pass from the teacher, this will be classed as truancy, since a significant part of the lesson has been missed. The student will receive a 30 minute after school detention on the same day.

Certainty of Sanctions

The aim of our detention system is to allow a restorative conversation to take place between teacher and student so that every day is a fresh start. Unfortunately, a few students have failed to attend their detention and therefore if a student fails to attend a detention, they will need to serve a 1 hour detention the next day. We are hoping that this will help to motivate our students to make the correct choice.


Uniform

We would also like to take this opportunity to share the [behaviour and uniform policy](#) which will come into place from 1st June, as we join Aspirational Futures MAT. We have expectations that all our students wear full uniform correctly at all times. Separate communication will be sent to parents where we have had issues regarding specific uniform infringements.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this information, please contact your child's HAL.

We hope you have a good half term break.

Kind Regards,


Vicky Arden
Headteacher